

### **REMARKS**

Applicant elects herewith, with traverse, the invention of Group II, Claims 2, 4, 9-12, 24 and 26, in full, and Claims 13-16, in part. It is noted that the foregoing election is being made without prejudice to the Applicant's right to file divisional application(s) directed to the non-elected inventions of Groups I (Claims 1, 3, 5-8, 23, 25, in full, and Claims 13-16 in part), Group III (Claims 17-19) and Group IV (Claims 20-22).

Claims 1-23 and 25 are pending herein. Claims 24 and 26 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 1, 3, 5-8, 17-23 and 25 stand withdrawn from consideration. New Claims 27-29 have been added. Therefore, Claims 2, 4, 9-16 and 27-29, are under review and consideration by the Examiner.

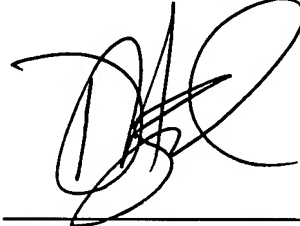
In view of the above, examination of the application on the merits is respectfully requested.

It is believed that no additional fee is due for this submission. Should that determination be incorrect, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies to our Deposit Account No. 01-0433, and notify the undersigned in due course.

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Should the Examiner have any questions or wish to discuss further this matter,  
please contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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